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Financing of the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea

Draft resolution submitted by the Chair of the Committee following informal consultations

Financing of the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea

The General Assembly,

Having considered the final performance report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea[1] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

1. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea as at 30 April 2012, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 0.8 million United States dollars, representing some 0.05 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only one hundred and sixty-one Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

2. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2] and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

3. *Takes note* of the final performance report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea;[1]

4. *Decides* that Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission shall be credited with their respective share of the net cash available in the Special Account for the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea in the amount of 9,082,000 dollars as at 30 April 2012, in accordance with the levels updated in General Assembly resolution 61/243 of 22 December 2006, and taking

[1] A/66/560.
[2] A/66/718/Add.3.

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into account the scale of assessments for 2008, as set out in Assembly resolution 61/237 of 22 December 2006;

5. *Encourages* Member States that are owed credits referred to in paragraph 4 above to apply those credits to any accounts where they have outstanding assessed contributions;

6. *Urges* all Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions in full;

7. *Decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, their respective share of the net cash available in the Special Account for the Mission in the amount of 9,082,000 dollars as at 30 April 2012 shall be set off against their outstanding obligations, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 4 above;

8. *Also decides* that updated information on the financial position of the Mission shall be included in the report on the updated position of closed peacekeeping missions, to be considered by the General Assembly at its sixty-seventh session under the item entitled "Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations";

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that best practices and lessons learned from the liquidation of the Mission are shared and taken into account, as appropriate by other missions;

10. *Decides* to delete from its agenda the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea".

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International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals

Draft resolution submitted by the Chair of the Committee following informal consultations

International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 66/240 of 24 December 2011,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the construction of a new facility for the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals, Arusha branch,[1] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the construction of a new facility for the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals, Arusha branch;[1]

2. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2] subject to the provisions of the present resolution;

3. *Notes* with appreciation the support of the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania for the work of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals, Arusha branch;

4. *Recalls* paragraphs 5 and 8 of resolution 66/240 and regrets that the report of the Secretary-General did not include sufficient information on the conceptual design, project plan and updated cost estimates of the project;

5. *Notes with concern* that the project duration is estimated to be five years and three months, whereas the initial proposal of the Secretary-General consisted of a two-year project, and requests the Secretary-General to make every effort to

[1] A/66/754.
[2] A/66/807.

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reduce the time needed to complete the construction, while guaranteeing the effective oversight of the project;

6. *Takes note* of paragraphs 8 and 19 of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2] and requests the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at the first part of its resumed sixty-seventh session a report providing more detailed information on the key decision points regarding the conceptual design, project plan and overall cost estimate of the project, as well as information on his efforts to reduce the duration of the construction project for the Arusha branch of the Mechanism;

7. *Recalls* paragraph 6 of its resolution 66/240, and decides not to assess the portion of the initial appropriation for 2013, pending consideration of the report requested in paragraph 6 of the present resolution;

8. *Authorizes* the expenditures, from within the amount appropriated in paragraph 6 of its resolution 66/240, to cover expenses related to all the planned activities in the design phase;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General, through the Office of Central Support Services, to take into account lessons learned and best practices from past construction projects in implementing the project, and to draw in particular from the experience and the know-how acquired from capital projects, including construction at the United Nations Office at Nairobi and the Economic Commission for Africa, and the Capital Master Plan;

10. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-seventh session the item entitled "Financing of the International Residual Mechanism".